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Amendments in the Claims: (struck-through parts deleted and underlined parts added)

1. (currently amended) A balloon holding assembly for preventing helium filled balloons from escaping, said assembly comprising:

5 a first rectangular shaped loop member defining a bottom support, a second rectangular shaped loop member defining an upper support, each of said upper and bottom supports having a top side and a bottom side, each of said upper and bottom supports including four corner members and four connectors for removably coupling together adjacent ones of said corner
10 members in a spaced relationship to each other;

a plurality of elongated vertical supports each having an upper end and a lower end;

a plurality of couplers being attached to each of said upper and bottom supports for removably coupling each of said upper ends to a bottom side of said
15 upper support and said lower ends to said top side of said bottom support such that said upper support is spaced from and positioned over said bottom support, a space between adjacent ones of said vertical supports being open;

a cage including a horizontal wall and a perimeter wall being attached to and
20 extending downwardly from said horizontal wall, said horizontal wall having a size and shape adapted for abutting said upper support such that said upper support is positioned within said cage;

a plurality of wheels being attached to said bottom side of said bottom support;
and

25 wherein helium filled balloons may be positioned in said cage such that said horizontal wall prevents the balloons from floating upwardly away from the frame.

Claim 2 (cancelled)

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3. (currently amended) The assembly according to claim 2 1, wherein each of said connectors comprises an elongated tubular member having a first end and a second end.

5 4. (original) The assembly according to claim 3, wherein each of said corner members includes a first female coupler and a second female coupler, said first and second female couplers being orientated generally perpendicular to each other, each of said first and second female couplers having a size and shape adapted for removably receiving one of said first or second ends of said connectors.

10 5. (currently amended) The assembly according to claim 2 1, wherein each of said couplers is attached to an associated one of said corner members such that each of said corner members has one coupler positioned thereon.

15 6. (original) The assembly according to claim 5, wherein each of said couplers comprises a female coupler having a size and shape adapted for receiving a respective one of said upper or lower ends.

Claims 7 and 8 (cancelled)

20 9. (currently amended) The assembly according to claim 8 1, wherein each of said wheels is positioned on one of said corner members such that each of said corner members of said bottom support has a wheel mounted thereon.

25 10. (currently amended) A balloon holding assembly for preventing helium filled balloons from escaping, said assembly comprising:

a first rectangular shaped loop member defining a bottom support, a second rectangular shaped loop member defining an upper support, each of said upper and bottom supports having a top side and a bottom side, each of
30 said ~~top and bottom~~ upper and lower supports including four corner members and four connectors for removably coupling together adjacent

ones of said corner members in a spaced relationship to each other, each of
said connectors comprising an elongated tubular member having a first
end and a second end, each of said corner members including a first
female coupler and a second female coupler, said first and second female
couplers being orientated generally perpendicular to each other, each of
said first and second female couplers having a size and shape adapted for
removably receiving one of said first or second ends of said connectors, a
space bound by each of said bottom and upper supports being open;
a plurality of elongated vertical supports each having an upper end and a lower
end;
a plurality of couplers being attached to each of said upper and bottom supports
for removably coupling each of said upper ends to a bottom side of said
upper support and said lower ends to said top side of said bottom support
such that said upper support is spaced from and positioned over said
bottom support, each of said couplers being attached to an associated one
of said corner members such that each of said corner members has one
coupler positioned thereon, each of said couplers comprising a female
coupler having a size and shape adapted for receiving a respective one of
said upper or lower ends, a space between adjacent ones of said vertical
supports being open;
a cage including a horizontal wall and a perimeter wall being attached to and
extending downwardly from said horizontal wall, said horizontal wall
having a size and shape adapted for abutting said upper support such that
said upper support is positioned within said cage, said cage having
openings therein less than 9 square inches;
a plurality of wheels being attached to said bottom side of said bottom support,
each of said wheels being positioned on one of said corner members such
that each of said corner members of said bottom support has a wheel
mounted thereon; and

wherein helium filled balloons may be positioned in said cage such that said horizontal wall prevents the balloons from floating upwardly away from the frame.